



# WINDSOR ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

*Because access equals opportunity*

## WINDSOR ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Meeting to be held Tuesday, December 3, 2024

at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom video conference

### 1. Call to Order

#### READING OF LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which includes the Ojibwa, the Odawa, and the Potawatomi. The City of Windsor honours all First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and their valuable past and present contributions to this land

### 2. Declaration of Conflict

### 3. Adoption of the Minutes

### 4. Business Items

#### 4.1 WAAC Operating and Capital Budget - The current balance of the Operating Fund is \$6,250

- (a) Proposals for fiscal 2024 operating budget expenditure/supports – as attached
- (b) WAAC operating budget fiscal 2024 – unexpended funds carried forward into fiscal 2025

#### 4.2 Infrastructure Committee Update

- Funding Projects Pending Review – Parks, Recreation, Ramp for Downtown Bingo, Funding for transportation to accessible curling events
- WAAC Communications Email/Link on Page

#### Interests for 2025

- Transit Windsor, Traffic, and HandiTrans
- Accessible Taxis
- Speed Humps
- Accessible Programming
- Accessibility Week

### 5. Date of Next Meeting

### 6. Adjournment

## **Compiled Funding Requests**

Parks is in the process of adding solar lights to Alexander Park. 28 lights in total will be installed starting at Sandy's Point and running the entire length of the riverwalk and along the MUT extending from the riverwalk to the intersection at Strabane. The available budget is very tight and we could certainly utilise any funds from WAAC. WAAC could contribute towards the entire project or specifically for the lights at Sandy's Point.

### **HURON LODGE \$1367**

#### **Background**

Huron lodge would like to purchase a LED Solar projector to add to our portable Snoezelen Cart. Snoezelen is a therapy for residents with developmental disabilities, dementia or brain injury. It consists of placing the person in a soothing and stimulating environment, called the "Snoezelen room". These rooms are specially designed to deliver stimuli to various senses, using lighting effects, color, sounds, music, scents, etc. The solar projector would be a wonderful addition to the portable cart as it one of the best methods for visual stimulation.

#### **Benefits**

The addition of the Solar Projector to the current Snoezelen cart would enhance the scope of the therapy we are able to provide to our residents that have sensory, cognitive and physical disabilities.

**Cost:** The cost of the solar projector is \$1367.05 plus HST.



### **WINDSOR PUBLIC LIBRARY \$1345**

We have about 14 Victor Readers, and they are usually always out. We have had a couple returned quite recently because some of our customers enjoyed them so much that they purchased their own. One or two are not working and we are trying to troubleshoot. The machines are a little bit older and do give us trouble from time to time.

I am in the process of distributing the recently returned Victor Readers to the customers on the wait list. The wait list usually consists of 4 – 5 customers.

Every customer who has tried a Victor reader LOVES it. The positive feedback is really overwhelming. I think they enjoy that the Victor reader makes it easy for them to play audiobooks independently. If we ever have the opportunity to get more, I know that many of our Accessibility customers would be over the moon!



Victor Reader Stratus 12M  
Unconfigured \$1,310.00

Subtotal \$1,310.00  
Shipping \$35.00

Total CAD \$1,345.00

## **RECREATION DEPARTMENT 6814**

Recreation, Community Programming – The Corporation of The City of Windsor  
In the Community Programming division of the Recreation Department, our Before School Program, After School Program and Camp catalogue of programming support several participants with behavioral needs. An opportunity to improve our equipment reserve for more accessible and inclusive programming would be tremendously helpful in our effort to make our community programs more inclusive for all. In 2025, not only do we intend to improve our resources in the before school, after school and camp programs, but we also intend to offer a catalogue of inclusive programming designed for individuals with disabilities who want to be involved in recreational activities with other people who have similar interests, abilities and needs in a safe and positive environment. The equipment below would allow us to create sensory spaces for the public to enjoy and for participants from our programs to utilize. Additional money would be utilized in any smaller sensory equipment required.

| Item Name   | Item Description   | Item Price | Links to Purchase   | Number Requested |
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| <b>Wall Elements – Butterfly, Wave, and Mountains</b> | Participant’s are able to use their feet to guide through the lines on the board. Hands can be used for this as well. Allows participants to use the fine and gross motor skills   | \$303.37   | <a href="#">Wall Elements - Butterfly, Wave And Mountains   Sensory Room Equipment   TFH Canada</a> | 1                |
| <b>Big Cozy Cavern</b>                                | Participants will be able to tune out any distractions and other things that may be causing them to become over stimulated. This will help participants self-regulate themselves   | \$148.00   | <a href="#">Big Cozy Cavern   Sensory Room Equipment   TFH Canada</a>                               | 1                |
| <b>Colour Morphing Sphere</b>                         | Relax as you watch the bright and fun colours change with this creative sensory lamp that can be ideal for play spaces as an area for calm and focus. Use this versatile tool as an educational resource, a centre of calm or as a fun toy to experiment with. | \$228.00   | <a href="#">Colour Morphing Sphere   Visual Sensory Lamp   TFH Canada</a>                           | 1                |

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| <b>Light Table Sensory Learning Games</b> | These games are to help the participants become more social and interact with participants within the program  | \$28.25  | <a href="#">Sensory Learning Games   Light Table Resources   TFH Canada</a>                         | 1 |
| <b>Sensory Light Table</b>                | This table will allow participants to remain engaged in different table top activities, while maintaining stimulated   | \$448.00 | <a href="#">Sensory light Table   Illuminated Sensory Tool   TFH Canada</a>                         | 1 |
| <b>Auditory Processing Activity Kit</b>   | Allow the participants to use their fine motor skills to play different instruments to go along with different music that is being played  | \$315.00 | <a href="#">Auditory Processing Kit   Musical Instruments &amp; Sounds Sensory Toy   TFH Canada</a> | 1 |
| <b>EazyHold 7 Pack</b>                    | Allows participants to hold things such as forks, spoons, and knives easier.   | \$99.00  | <a href="#">EazyHold</a>  | 1 |
| <b>Rainbow Wall Activity Panel</b>        | This Rainbow Wall Panel is a perfect addition to provide children with a multi-sensory experience. It comes with 12 different activities to help them build fine motor skills, hand-eye coordination and descriptive language. The activities includes turning gears, weather board, rolling disc, matching shape blocks, xylophone, concave and convex mirror, gong, and wire beads with a flipper. | \$475.00 | <a href="#">Rainbow Activity Wall Panel   Sensory Play Fine Motor Board   TFH Canada</a>            | 1 |
| <b>Self-regulation Classroom Cruiser</b>  | Self-regulation Classroom Cruiser is designed to provide opportunities for students, grades 3-6, to self-regulate through movement without having to leave or disrupt the class.   | 2999.97  | <a href="#">Self-regulation Classroom Cruiser Grades 3-6 by Copernicus Educational Products</a>     | 3 |
| <b>Light Up Circular Infinity Mirror</b>  | Peer into the mirror as it gives the illusion of a sparkly tunnel with beads of light that children will be fascinated and enthralled with.  | 1349.97  | <a href="#">Light Up Circular Infinity Mirror by TTS</a>  | 3 |
| <b>Bubblebeam Bubble Tube 82 cm</b>       | The variation in colours, the moving fish and the gentle hum of the pump make this bubble tube the perfect sensory product to create an underwater atmosphere in any location.   | 419.97   | <a href="#">Bubblebeam Bubble Tube 82 cm by FDMT</a>  | 3 |

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| <p><b>Sights &amp; Sounds Activity Panel</b></p> | <p>The Sights &amp; Sounds kinetic wall activity panel has many sights &amp; sounds with moving parts and sounds to discover. There are discs of different sizes and colours to spin, desk or button bells to ring and a lot of different rollers, beads, and balls to manipulate.</p> | <p>\$3,685.00</p>        | <p><u>Sights &amp; Sounds Activity Panel   Auditory Sensory Tool   TFH Canada</u></p> | <p>1</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Sum</b></p>     |  | <p><b>\$6,814.53</b></p> | <p style="text-align: right;"><b>18</b></p>   |          |